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2015 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

- Jan 8 TCRM Thursday Night Meeting Nashville TN
Jan 15-17 Nashville Ntrak setup at Montgomery Bell State Park Train Days
Feb 14 Valentines Day Murder Mystery Excursion Train to Watertown
Feb 21 Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
Mar 21 Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
Mar 28 Easter Bunny Trip I Excursion Train to Watertown
Apr 4 Easter Bunny Trip I Excursion Train to Watertown
Apr 11 Cumberland Div Fall Division Meet-Model Train Show & TC Ry Museum Open House
Apr 18 Spring Mile-Long Yard Sale Excursion Train to Watertown

January 2015 Program

Our January program will be our annual car host safety certification program by **Terry Bebout**. Anyone wanting to car host on our excursion trains is required to have this certification.

Anyone wanting to present a program at our Thursday night meetings, please contact **Bob Hultman** cell 615-513-7187 E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Host Committee – January 2015 Meeting

Tom Spiggle	Bill Stewart*	Dianne Stewart
Don Strong	Bill Strunk	Harry Summer
Gordon Sutla	Ernest Thompson	Robert Thurman
Steve Tomblin	Les Trainor	Gene Turnage
Doug Uhler	Ralcon Wagner	Sonny Wanner

*- Host Committee Chair

New Members

Lea & Walter Akridge Franklin TN

Kristin Erwin Nashville TN

Phil Gainer Brentwood TN

Benjamin Long Cedar Hill TN

Freddie Mitchell Nashville TN

Welcome to our new members as they take part in our activities.

Excursion Train News

By **Bob Hultman**

We start off 2015 with 2 trains in February, out Valentines Day Murder Mystery trip to Watertown on Feb 14, followed by a trip to DelMonaco Winery a week later on Feb 21. If you are going to work these trips, make sure you attend the car host safety certification class on Jan 8. Sign-up sheets for these 2 trips will be at our Jan 8 meeting. We are always looking for TCRM members to help work these trips. To do so, contact **Bob Hultman** at cell 615-513-7187 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Nashville Ntrak News

By **Ed Minnich**

Nashville NTrak is committed to set up for the Montgomery Bell State Park Train Days event on Thursday January 15. The show is January 16 and 17.

Activity Fee for 2015 - Renewal

TCRM annual membership renewal is now upon us. Please mail your activity fee renewals (for 2015 the fee remains \$30 individual, \$35 for family members of the same household), made payable to TCRM to TC Ry Museum at 220 Willow St in Nashville TN 37210-2159 Attn – **Marilyn O’Neal**. If you prefer to renew via credit-debit card, please call **Marilyn** at 615-244-9001 or stop by the Museum to do so in person. Also, be sure to include any updated roster information (name, family member names, mailing address, phone numbers and current E-mail addresses).

Hobby Shop News

By **Ed Minnich**

It's Annual Inventory Time! So, our Hobby Shop will be closed on Tuesday, January 13. We'll resume normal operating hours on Thursday, January 15. Vehicle Specials!! We regularly search the on-line inventories of our suppliers looking for deals on vehicles. Please come by and check out the newly arrived specially priced HO and N Scale cars, buses, and trucks.

Happy New Year!!! From Your Hobby Shop Crew...
Hobby Shop Hours: Tuesday Noon - 4 PM Thursday Noon - 6 PM Saturday 9 AM - 3 PM 615.244.9001
tchobbyshop@gmail.com

Chattanooga HO Model RR Closing

By **Brendan Brosnan**

I am the Secretary of the Chattanooga Area Model RR Club (CAMRC). We built and maintain the model train display on the second floor of the Chattanooga Choo Choo Hotel. The planned renovations announced last fall and now underway will require CAMRC to vacate the space we have occupied for over 40 years. The display will close Sunday Jan 18, and demolition will begin on the 19th with plans for the space to be available to other tenants by March 1st. This was the largest public model train display in the country when Luther cut the ribbon on our official grand opening in 1975, after 2 years of construction. Ask anyone who grew up in Chattanooga and they will remember their visits to the display. Over the years hundreds of thousand visitors from every state and numerous foreign countries have marveled at the depiction of Lookout Mt and other Chattanooga landmarks in miniature with the trains traveling past. My best memory was when a Midwestern youngster stopped with his family on their way home from Disney Orlando and proclaimed to his father, "This is much better than anything we saw at Disney".

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Thursday Night Meeting – February , 2014 6:30 pm at TCRM Nashville TN

We are asking for your help in getting the word out about the closing so everyone has a chance to relive their childhood one more time before we close the door on this icon.

Plans are being developed to build a new more state of the art computer assisted layout elsewhere at the Choo Choo, but no timetable has been established.

TCRM Hosts Children for Christmas

By **Terry Bebout**

We are going to provide our facility this coming Sat afternoon (Dec 20) to a group of underprivileged children for Christmas. Home Depot is one of the sponsors for this project. We are not providing a train ride but rather letting the kids get on the train to see Santa and receive gifts. They will also see the model trains operate. This all begins around noon.

We need some volunteer staff for the meeting room to run trains and for the excursion train while they are seeing Santa.

TCRM in Nashville Lifestyles Magazine

By **Steve Johnson**

The December 2014 issue of Nashville Lifestyles magazine has a one-page article on TCRM on page 40. Included in the article is information on our excursion trains and there are two color photos -- one of the Spirit of Tennessee car and GP7 #405. Why they chose the title to be "Lebanon, Tennessee" is questionable, but at least TCRM's address, phone number and web address were included.

Sad News – Passing of Charles Bebout, Father of Terry & Tim Bebout

By **Bob Hultman**

I was shocked to learn last night (Sat Dec 16) that **Terry & Tim's Dad, Charles Bebout**, passed away yesterday evening. **Terry** came to me yesterday between our 2 excursion trains & said his Dad had been taken to a hospital emergency room & he was leaving immediately. Later yesterday evening he E-mailed me saying his Dad had passed away.

URL to Charles' obituary- <http://www.legacy.com/funeral-homes/tennessee/nashville/woodbine-hickory-chapel/fh-14297>

Terry & Peggy's mailing address- 709 N Lake Circle in Brentwood TN 37027-7844

Tim & Angel's mailing address- 1140 Big Marrowbone Rd in Ashland City TN 37015-4000

Please keep Terry, Tim & their families in your thoughts & prayers during this very difficult time..... Bob H

Sad News – Passing of Ralph Owens, Brother of Charles Owens

By **Ed Minnich**

Ralph Eddie Owens, brother of TCRM member **Charles Owens**, passed away early this morning (Wednesday Dec 17). Visitation was 2 PM – 8P M Friday, and 11 AM – 1 PM Saturday at Taylor Funeral Home, 214 North Main Street, Dickson, TN 37055. Service was held at Taylor Funeral Home at 1 PM Saturday, December 20.

Charles & Patty Owens' mailing address is 1313 Chyenne Blvd in Madison TN 37115. Please keep **Charles** & his family in your thoughts & prayers, especially during this time of the year..... Bob H

Upcoming Conventions & Shows

Apr 11 Cumberland Division Spring 2015 Meet-Model Train Show & TC Ry Museum Open House at TCRM

June 5-6, 2015 SER Annual Convention Greenville SC

Aug 23-30, 2015 - NMRA Nat'l Convention Portland OR